

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1-4. (cancelled)

5. (previously presented) A jewelry alloy formed from a molten phase and consisting of 76 – 83.5 wt% gold and 16.5 – 21.5 wt% aluminum and an additional element selected from the group consisting of palladium and nickel; provided that when said palladium is present, it is present in an amount by weight of up to 4%; and provided that when said nickel is present, it is present in an amount by weight of up to 2%.

6. (previously presented) A jewelry alloy according to claim 5, in which the aluminum content is 18.5 – 19.5 wt%.

7. (cancelled)

8. (previously presented) A jewelry alloy according to claim 5, wherein the additional element is palladium and is present in an amount of between 0.5 wt% and 4.0 wt%.

9. (previously presented) A jewelry alloy according to claim 5, wherein the additional element is nickel and is present in an amount of between 1.0 wt% and 2.0 wt%.

10-12. (cancelled)

13. (previously presented) An alloy formed from a molten phase and comprising 16.5 – 21.5 wt% aluminum, 0-4.0 wt% palladium, 0-2 wt% nickel and the balance gold, provided that one of said palladium and nickel is present.

14. (previously presented) The alloy of claim 13 containing 18.5 – 19.5 wt% aluminum, 0.5-4.0 wt% palladium and the balance gold, except for impurities and incidental elements.

15. (previously presented) The alloy of claim 13 containing 18.5 – 19.5 wt% aluminum, 1.0-2.0 wt% nickel and the balance gold, except for impurities and incidental elements.